

**CITY OF WEST ALLIS
CELEBRATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING
May 7, 2015**

MINUTES

Members Present: Alderperson Rosalie Reinke, Dianne Eineichner, Mark Ellington, Mary Cay Freiberg, Rebecca Grill, Pat Hladilek, Randy Kassa, John Maydak, Tim Meyer and Brenda Schmid

Members Excused: Mayor Dan Devine, Kathleen Dagenhardt, Jerry Kucharski, Jim Mejchar, Gina Rafenstein and Shelly Strasser

Also Present: Jeanette Wardinski, City Administrative Office and Barb Weller, Purchasing Division

Chair Reinke called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM

1. Minutes of previous meeting – motion to approve by Mr. Maydak, seconded by Ms. Freiberg, unanimous approval.
2. Chair Reinke thanked the committee members who participated or helped with the bowling fundraiser on May 2.
3. Memorial Day, May 25 – Ms. Schmid reported that the two high school and three intermediate school bands confirmed they will be in the parade. Alderman Roadt arranged for the trolley that the Veteran's ride in. Ms. Hladilek stated that someone commented to her that no one can see the Veterans through the windows of the trolley. Ms. Schmid explained that the trolley is delivered with or without windows depending on the weather conditions.
4. Veteran's Project –Ms. Wardinski reported that we've received money in addition to the items we requested for the Veterans. She suggested St. John's Lutheran Church in West Milwaukee as another organization that services Veterans at their food pantry. Chair Reinke passed around a sign-up sheet for packing up the donated items on May 20 at 1:00 and another for delivering the items to the VA on May 24 at 1:00. Mr. Kassa will see if he can get bags from the Health Hut. If not, Chair Reinke will ask Pick & Save or Piggly Wiggly to donate them. Drawings from the school children will be stapled to each of the bags.
5. Ala Carte, June 7, 12 – 6 PM –Ms. Eineichner brought in the "pool" and ducks for the duck game. After discussion it was decided to buy sucker rings and small candy. Ducks will be marked on the bottom with an "X" or "O" and this will determine what candy is given out. Ms. Eineichner will pick up the candy at Vic's Candy.

Chair Reinke asked the committee if they would like to help fill a plastic bucket with picnic items to raffle off. The committee agreed this is a good idea and each will bring an item to the next meeting. Ms. Eineichner donated a grill set for the basket. Ms. Hladilek suggested adding a gift card from Pick & Save for food items.

Mr. Ellington brought in samples of buttons, Koozies, wrist bands and fans and went over the cost of each. After discussion a motion was made by Mr. Maydak to order 300 of the Koozies in red and imprinted with "I Support West Allis Celebrations" in white lettering. Ms. Hladilek seconded the motion and all approved.

Mr. Kassa will provide his tent. Set up starts at 11:00. Mr. Maydak said he would be there to help set up. A decision will be made at the June meeting on what items to sell – depending on the weather. Chair Reinke has a box of plastic gloves so popcorn bags need to be purchased. Ms. Strasser will pick up the popcorn from Knights.

6. Fundraising –Chair Reinke stated that \$150 was raised on the restaurant certificates at the bowling fundraiser.
7. Next meeting date – June 4, 2015
8. Motion to adjourn by Ms. Freiberg, seconded by Mr. Maydak. Meeting adjourned at 5:05 PM